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25X1 1. [redacted] the Soviet Legation [redacted]  
requested the following from the Soviet Government in Moscow:

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- a. That the Legation be granted an increased budget for its propaganda and information work;
- b. That more effective Cominform activity be carried on in the Middle East by placing that organization in direct liaison with the various Middle Eastern Communist Parties. (   liaison between the Cominform and the Communist Parties in this area has been carried out until now through Soviet diplomatic establishments.)

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2. The Soviet Legation has received satisfaction concerning its requests, as is demonstrated by the following:

- a. Its budget for information and propaganda work has been increased.<sup>1</sup>
- b. The local Communist Party review [ ] has been replaced by the 25X1  
Arabic edition of the Cominform journal (For a Lasting Peace, For a  
Peoples' Democracy) published in Bucharest, Rumania.
- c. A special Cominform office for Turkey and the Arab countries was 25X1  
established in Sofia, Bulgaria, in June 1951.

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- e. Cominform delegates will be sent to Beirut, Damascus, Syria; Baghdad, Iraq; and Jerusalem, for the purpose of making contact with the Communist Parties and studying local situations.

1. ☐ Comment.

the Soviet Press Attaché, has a great deal more money at his disposal now than previously.

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